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Dear Grattan

## Horsmonden Fair

Thank you for your letter. This is really monstrous. Surely there are other methods of safeguarding the village green than prohibiting the Horse Fair altogether.

I will immediately consult with Marc Willers who is the Barrister who has been most helpful in recent gypsy planning cases to see what advice he can give.

I am puzzled by the phrase "trespassery assembly". I should have thought that this would leave it open for a "lawful" assembly to be held.

I will let you know what we come up with as soon as possible.

All the best

Yours

PS I think one might possibly have to make an urgent application to the High Court for judicial review of the Council's decision. This could be quite costly, possibly something in four figures. Would there be any means of financing it?